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Advisory Action

Application No. 09/051,670 Applicant(s)

Nakagawa et al.

Examiner

David S. Romeo

Group Art Unit 1646

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Attachment to Paper No. 14 (Advisory Action)

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1. The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered because they raise new issues that would

require further consideration and/or search. Specifically, the limitations "segment",

"corresponding to", "second segment is upstream of said first segment" require further

consideration and/or search because the limitations were not previously examined and/or raise

new issues under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, with respect to new matter, and under 35

U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

Claims 1, 2, 6 remain rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, because the 2.

order of SEQ ID NO:1 and SEQ ID NO:2 in the DNA molecule are not clearly set forth.

Applicants argue that the DNA molecule must contain SEQ ID NO:1 and 2, regardless of order.

Applicants' arguments have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. It is suggested that

claim recite SEQ ID NO:1 followed by SEQ ID NO:2.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to David S. Romeo whose telephone number is (703) 305-4050. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 6:45 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gary Kunz, can be reached on (703) 308-4623. Official papers filed by fax should be directed to (703) 308-4242.

Faxed draft or informal communications should be directed to the examiner at (703) 308-0294.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

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March 16, 2000

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